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Centennial Planning

by Tamara Collins

Centennial plans are well underway. Events will officially kick off on September 26th.

The Centennial Planning Committee is planning on organizing an event for every month in the centennial year.

The Centennial Logo Contest winner was announced at the last council meeting. Lori Rutledge was the big winner with her logo design which included the train station, a stalk of wheat, and main street.

"The contest asked for something that depicted Didsbury's past, present and future," said Rutledge. "The train and rail system represent a part of the heritage of small towns in rural Alberta. The old stores facades are part of main street, which is still prominent today, and the grain represents the farming and agriculture that surrounds Didsbury past, present and future."

In total there were five submissions to the contest.

The new Centennial Planning Committee director was appointed at the last Town Council meeting. Stevan Pavaars was appointed for this volunteer position.

The final decision that has been made regarding the centennial is the color scheme. The colors chosen for this by Council were royal blue, teal, and yellow. The blue and teal come from the Didsbury flag, and the yellow represents wheat.



photo by Tamara Collins

What is a conscience?

Ross Ford Elementary held a special assembly Friday afternoon. Each grade put together a play or skit on the conscience virtue they are presently studying. This is the second virtue they have studied this year.

Berreth will be heard in a Court of Appeal

by Carla Victor

Dwayne Berreth's application to the Court of Appeal in Calgary, for a leave of appeal, will be heard Aug. 10.

The motion for a leave of appeal asks that Berreth's original appeal, April 2, against the construction of a proposed Mountain View County (MVC) administration building, neighbouring

his property, be heard again.

Berreth said he does not feel the April 2 appeal hearing was handled fairly so he has taken this next step.

A notice of motion for leave of appeal states, in part: "(Berreth) was not advised that legal counsel on behalf of the (appeal) board would be present, and (Berreth) attended without legal counsel."

It also states Berreth was not given proper information to prepare for the appeal hearing, and was not given an opportunity to respond to it once it was presented by the county.

Clint Docken, legal representation for Berreth said if the leave of appeal is successful the decision (of MVC Appeal Board) will be reviewed.

"Our argument is, the decision should be reviewed and go back for another hearing before MVC Appeal Board."

Docken said it shouldn't matter that Appeal Board members could be the same people to hear the case for a second time because, if Berreth is successful, the Court of Appeal would provide guidelines as to how the hearing should be conducted.

Docken said there is no reason for ratepayers to worry about the building being worked on before Berreth's arguments are heard Aug. 10.

"My understanding is the building has only gone out to tender at this stage so to ask if they can continue with construction would be premature."

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Man threatened Sundre resident

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A 21-year-old man who threatened to kill a Sundre man and burn down his house has been ordered to complete community service hours.

Jeffrey Dean Thompson pleaded guilty to charges of uttering threats to cause bodily harm, being unlawfully in a dwelling house, possession of a weapon, and taking a motor vehicle without the owners consent. He was sentenced on May 10.

The accused spent more than three months in pre-trial custody prior to last week's court appearance.

Thompson was involved in a confrontation outside the Sundre IGA in August at which time he pulled a knife and asked another man if he "wanted to die today", court heard.

In September, Thompson phoned another Sundre resident and made threats to kill a staff member at the same IGA.

He admitted being in the home of a former girlfriend without permission, and taking the woman's vehicle. He also failed to show up for a scheduled court appearance.

The accused told Judge Daniel that he had turned his life around following his arrest.

"I'm trying to be a responsible member of society," said Thompson. "It (jail) was a real learning experience."

The judge handed Thompson a 12 month suspended sentence including probation.

She also ordered him to complete 100 hours of community service, not to enter the town of Sundre without permission, and prohibited him from owning any firearms or weapons for 10 years.

Drunk driver jailed

A Carstairs man convicted of his fourth drunk driving charge has been jailed.

Kenneth McDonnell, 33, pleaded guilty on May 10 to charges of impaired operation and disqualified driving.

The accused was stopped by police on June 3, 2003 when he was clocked doing 178 km per hour on the 100 km per hour Hwy 580, court heard.

A breathalyzer test indicated his blood alcohol level was 260 mg per cent or more than three times the legal limit.

McDonnell was a disqualified driver at the time of his arrest.

He had three previous convictions for alcohol related driving, said prosecutor Danny Elliott.

"Why is it you have not got the message," said Judge C. Daniel. "If you had been in any kind of accident you would have killed yourself. The community is fed up. This is absolutely outrageous."

The judge sentenced the accused to 90 days in jail on the impaired charge and \$1,000 on the disqualified driving charge. She also prohibited him from driving for one year.

Warning the accused against any further drunk driving incidents, Judge Daniel said,

"If you've killed or hurt somebody next time, God help you."

Man admits having stolen truck

A 25-year-old man arrested after someone tried to use a stolen pickup truck

to smash into a Carstairs liquor store has been jailed.

Louis Henry Bear pleaded guilty to charges of possession of stolen property and break and enter.

The accused was arrested on Feb. 26 after he and two other individuals were in a 1989 Jeep used to crash into the store. No liquor was stolen during

the incident.

The accused was spotted by police in Didsbury a short time later and following a brief chase was arrested.

He was held in custody since Feb. 26. Taking into account the three months of pre-trial custody, Judge Daniel ordered Bear jailed for one day.

"You can decide not to do these kinds of things," the judge said.

Bear was also fined \$200.

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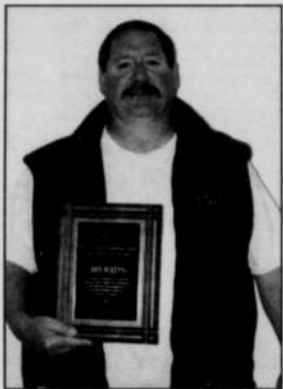


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NEWS

Local operator receives provincial award



Chris McKenna

by Tamara Collins

Chris McKenna, Didsbury's Director of Operations received a prestigious award at the Alberta Recreation Personal Conference on April 27th.

The award goes to the Facility Operator of the Year. It states that the award is presented to an individual who has made a significant contribution to the operation and management of recreation facilities within the province of Alberta.

"I was very surprised," said McKenna, who has been working for the Town for a year and a half.

"There are an awful lot of operators in the province, so this is really an honor."

-Chris McKenna

McKenna had been an instructor with the association for over 15 years. He is also involved in numerous committees.

"It was actually the staff here that nominated me," said McKenna. "I was very flattered."

The award is actually named after a friend of McKenna's which just makes the whole thing more special.

"There are an awful lot of operators in the province," said McKenna. "So this is really an honor."

STEP enforced in Didsbury

by Tamara Collins

This past Wednesday, Didsbury RCMP and the Calgary Health Region teamed up to teach local Didsburians the importance of wearing a seat belt, and securing your child in a car seat.

A check stop was set up off 20th St. in Didsbury, cars were pulled over to ensure people were fastened in, and if they had children, a check was done to make sure they were properly secured in their safety seats.

During the month of May, the RCMP, and the Alberta police services in conjunction with partners in the Alberta Occupant Restraint Program (AORP) will be launching the Selective Enforcement Program (STEP) for seat belts. A series of hard hitting ads will hit billboards and radio stations, the ads give an image of the possible consequences of not wearing a seat belt.

"Yes, it is a hard image," said Colleen Dougan, Didsbury and District Public Health official. "But we have a tough message to get out to everyone. You have to use images and messages that are going to work with your target group, use something that's going to change the behaviour of drivers and passengers who choose to not buckle up. Focus tests indicate this type of message will definitely have non-users thinking about doing up their seat belts."

Enhanced awareness,



photo by Gene Hartmann

Colleen Dougan and Lynn Martens, of the Calgary Health Region, check June Greenlaw's car to ensure she is properly buckled in, and her child passenger Sarah Dobush of Olds is also properly secured in her child seat.

education and enforcement efforts are focused on increasing seat belt wearing rates across Alberta by contributing to educate the motoring public about the serious consequences of not wearing a seat belt, or not using a child safety seat. The provincial campaign supports local and commu-

nity efforts to increase seat belt wearing rates to achieve a provincial goal of a 95% seat belt wearing rate by 2010.

"In total we checked seven vehicles for child restraints and child passengers," said Dougan. "We issued three tickets."

People who were issued

a ticket have the option of paying the \$115 fine, or attending an option 4 class that teaches about car seat safety. These classes will be held June 9th and 16th, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The public can also attend, they must call 335-7292 to register.

At any time, people interested in finding out the right way to operate a child safety seat, they can contact the RCMP station.

Carstairs seeking support to have ambulance stationed in Town

Shaune Mohl

Preliminary talks have been initiated by the Town of Carstairs to have an ambulance unit brought to Carstairs, so that response times can be increased which could ultimately save more lives.

The Town say they would ultimately like to see a new unit purchased and stationed in Carstairs, but if this isn't possible they are hoping to garner support from other area municipalities to have the ambulance which is currently stationed in Didsbury moved to the Town.

At this point the Town is just trying to garner support from other municipalities and see if the interest is there. Absolutely nothing is official, and everything is very preliminary the Town stressed.

"We would like to move it to Carstairs so we can better serve the area," said Town of Carstairs Councillor Suzy Miller who sits as the Town's rep on the Mountain View Regional Emergency Services (MVRES) commission. The Commission, which is owned by the municipalities within Mountain View County, provides the ambulance service for the area.

Miller explained to council last Monday that if the unit was moved

to the Town it is expected that response times would increase by 15 minutes for the Village of Cremona and Water Valley.

The Town says that their concern is the fact that north of Airdrie there isn't a single ambulance unit until you get to Didsbury.

"You have a whole region from Airdrie north (to Didsbury) with no ambulance," said Carl McDonnell, the Town's CAO.

Since the Calgary Health Region (CHR) took over the Didsbury hospital, which also moved Carstairs in the CHR's territory the Town has concerns about "lack-ing" services, and hopes with such a busy - mostly urban - health authority that the rural needs of Carstairs and area won't be left in the dust and forgotten about.

"With the bulk of our (Ambulance commission) region with David Thompson (Health Region) we need better service down here," Miller said.

The MVRES owns a fleet of five ambulances, and of these five units only one ambulance sits in the CHR, as the other four are apart of the David Thompson Health Region.

McDonnell says the Town would rather have a second unit purchased and have an ambu-

lance housed in both Carstairs and Didsbury, but isn't sure, at this time, who will be picking up the tab.

The Province announced a few weeks ago during the 2004 budget that health regions will receive an injection of funding to cover the costs of ambulance service. So, basically the per capita funding currently paid for by taxpayers will now be paid for the Province.

Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills MLA Richard Marz gave a mixed, unclear answer on who would be providing capital expenditure funding once the Province takes over.

"It is my understanding that the Province will be assuming costs of the ambulance service so I would assume that would include the capital costs."

But, bare in mind some municipalities are running an ambulance that they contract to the municipality to provide that service. So, if they are already owning it we wouldn't necessarily have to buy (the ambulances)... except we would contract on a fee-per-service basis," Marz said.

Marz wasn't 100 per cent sure, but says that despite the MVRES being publicly owned by the municipalities, that if they were contracted for the ambulance service by the CHR that the Commission

would be responsible for purchasing their own ambulances and then contracting their services out to the health regions.

"If they are running as a Commission and they want to contract to the RHA (Regional Health Authority), they would contract for a fee-per-service basis and they would provide their own capital costs. I don't see the RHA's getting into owning a whole fleet of ambulances," Marz added.

The Town's Mayor Lance Colby says that it was his understanding that the health regions would be looking at their regions and assessing the needs and providing capital costs for items such as ambulances.

The MVRES Commission Chairperson Kris Bojda says that full details on the funding framework is expected to be released to them at some point next month.

Bojda says that the Commission is very open and willing to entertain discussions with the Town of Carstairs on their proposal to have an ambulance stationed in Carstairs.

"I think the provision of ambulance service in the County of Mountain View is obviously of big interest to the Commission," said Bojda said.

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

Parenting



TAMARA COLLINS
EDITORIAL

ask, where were these kids' parents? Where did they learn their morals? Do they even know what morals are?

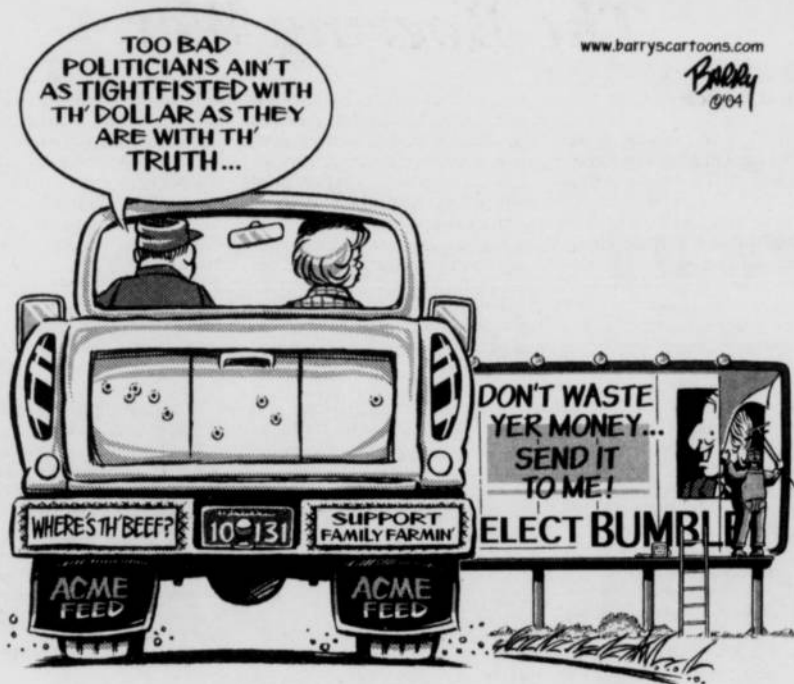
In most cases when children are caught breaking the law, everyone turns to the parents. Is this fair? Absolutely! It is parents who are responsible for their children. They are the ones who are in charge of disciplining them, teaching them, providing positive examples of how to lead their lives. You can blame it on TV, but who are the ones letting their children watch these shows, their parents! You can blame it on music, well their parents are letting them listen to it.

Basically, I feel there is no excuse, if your children are misbehaving ask yourself what you are doing wrong, cause chances are it is something.

Of course, there are exceptions to every rule.

I have to ask myself, what would possess someone to steal a bike from a little boy? Seriously, would it be for money? Is the \$50 you would get for it worth it? Or maybe it was for fun. If that is your idea of fun, I would seriously suggest counselling.

In the incident I am talking about, it was other young children who took it. The bike was then trashed. I have to



Last in, First Out

by Ian Taylor

In April I wrote about the uncertainty of our funding for next year under new guidelines from Edmonton. Since then principals have had a chance to work with the new formulas and their projected enrolments for 2004 - 05. The fog is clearing and the landscape it reveals is not pretty.

As you will see elsewhere in this paper we are in a budget crunch that could result in thirty fewer teaching positions for next year. How did this happen? First, our enrolment is projected to drop by between 200 and 300 students (largely attributable to expansion of Red Deer Separate within our division). Second, operating costs have increased steeply; we all know about rocketing energy bills, but we also had to meet a 14% arbitrated teacher pay increase last year that has never been fully covered by the Province. Third, the Province has developed new formulas for calculating the way it distributes funds that do not particularly favor us. From what I hear we are not the only division in this predicament.

When we look to spending cuts the only area that makes any dent in our large budget is personnel. We could cut spending on "stuff" like supplies, books,

and photocopying, but it would have little effect on a budget that is largely wage oriented.

Let me switch for a moment to another topic - you'll see the connection in a little while. I was recently involved in selecting a zone candidate for the Edwin Parr Award. This involved travelling as far north as Millet, west to Sylvan Lake and east to Loughheed to meet and assess the best of our first year teachers. It is inspirational to see what these dedicated and energetic young people have achieved in their first year of teaching. Their enthusiasm and optimism is contagious. It is clear that the students in their care have had a special experience this year.

But what of next year? Will these talented new teachers still be around to benefit more children? Likely not if our cuts are to be as severe as predicted. How can this be? Well, all beginning teachers are on a temporary contract. They are on trial, so to speak, for that first year. If they make the grade, and if there is a job for them the ensuing year they will be offered a continuous contract. Once a teacher has a continuous contract then that teacher has a good deal of security. Most of our teachers are protected from arbitrary dismissal by legal strictures.

We do have a policy on the reduction of professional staff

(GCPA) which is to be followed if there is a need to lay off teachers because of declining enrolments or decrease in financial support. One of the key clauses says, "seniority will be used as the determining factor when qualifications, instructional needs, and relative competency are deemed equal". So, our first year teachers are the most vulnerable to lay off, followed by their colleagues of two or three years experience.

It was only a few years ago that I heard the Minister of Learning address trustees in Red Deer about his concern over the high proportion of beginning teachers who drop out of the profession. He speculated that a big reason was the lack of support new teachers received. I could add another reason and that would be the lack of job prospects.

Teaching is a high energy, youth oriented occupation. It makes me angry to think that the very group we wish to cultivate and encourage, our young teachers, are now most likely to be laid off. Not only are they out of a job but our students will be missing the optimism, energy, and enthusiasm of these new professionals.

The opinions expressed here are my own, not necessarily those of the Board. If you wish to contact me about things educational you may do so at: (phone) 335-8575, (fax) 335-8576 (e-mail) nanatee@telusplanet.net

Wonderings of the heart

by Margaret Fradley

"Amazing Results"

For those of you who know me you will know that I have a severe hearing problem, and would ask most people (except when we were one to one), to repeat what they said, and often would refrain from joining a group, simply because I could not hear. It was not easy.

However, recently I was tested, and purchased a hearing aid; it is just amazing what this hearing aid has accomplished. My friends speak louder, my Pastor speaks more clearly, people sing louder, the TV and radio have increased their volume, our prayer group now prays so that I can hear them, that is not all - my husband has stopped murmuring. All of this simply because I have a hearing aid!!

Of course, there is one disadvantage to all of this, now since having this new device, people are now asking me to repeat most of the things I say, (they tell me that since having this hearing aid I have lowered my voice so much they can't hear me)!!

I guess you win some and lose some. At least most times now, you don't have to "speak up."



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The Boering War

Dear Editor:

The Boer War was an imperialist campaign waged by Britain in South Africa, from 1899 to 1902. The official justification of this war was that the British wished to end slavery in the Transvaal and the Orange Free States - those areas of South Africa still under Afrikaner control before commencement of hostilities.

The more careful observers however believed this war was fought by Great Britain with the intention of obtaining the management of the large gold fields existing in Transvaal. While there is much truth in this, Great Britain also desired to preserve British hegemony in Africa - a continent which in the late 1800's was in the process of being carved up by other European powers - including Belgium, France and Germany. Likewise, America's brutal invasion of Iraq has had little to do with the installation of democracy in the region.

While Iraqi oil has certainly played a large factor in America's current geopolitical designs, the new Rome also has an inert wish to place the entire Middle Eastern region underneath the thumb of its established order at any cost.

America's consumerist society could well use Iraq's 115 billion barrels of proven oil deposits, and its massive natural gas stores, which amount to 110 trillion cubic feet. But the goals of imperialism are more intricate than mere resource accumulation. For America to retain its position within the top echelons of the world order, it must further demand the fullest compliance from the entire global community.

George W. Bush currently has few political allies in the Middle East, and South Asia. Furthermore, it is ironic that each of these so-called friendly nations - including Israel, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Turkey and Pakistan - are guilty of despicable human rights violations. None of the above can be accurately classified as moderates and therefore need not fear the threats of "regime change" or "reconstruction." Such was the story with Iraq, until it made the fatal gaffe of invading Kuwait in 1991. Until this grave miscalculation, Saddam Hussein was actually perceived as an ally of the west.

Iraq's foray into Kuwait was initiated with the ultimate objective of controlling two of its neighbouring Gulf states' oil reserves. Saddam had charge Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates with turning their backs on a former accord based on the limitation of oil production. The Iraqi dictator believed the over production from both countries effectively lowered oil prices, and has cost Iraq one billion dollars in revenue. America swiftly responded to Iraq's bold gestures,

by pushing the Iraqi military out of Kuwait. Thereafter, America continued to fly sorties over Iraq-bombing the country senseless until 2004. The hypocritical United Nations played their own monstrous role by installing a regime of brutal sanctions against the war torn state - restrictions which incidentally were only lifted when Dick Cheney's friends from Haliburton were finally ready to begin their war profiteering project in Iraq.

However, during the Iran-Iraq war of 1980-1988, Saddam Hussein's chief quartermasters once came from America and Western Europe. Secular, Baathist ruled Iraq originally believed the Shiite theocracy of Iran would be relatively unproblematic to conquer and occupy.

But this was a war which refused to end, and as the conflict prolonged, both sides required more weapons. The United States severed relations with

Iran in 1980, and although officially neutral towards the conflict, was willing to help arm Iraq as the Arabic country's Soviet weaponry gradually depleted. As an envoy of Republican President Ronald Reagan, Donald Rumsfeld visited Saddam Hussein in Iraq, in December 1983. Centre to their discussions was America and Iraq's shared dislike to Iran and Syria, and Iraq's willingness to trade oil for arms. American control of the Persian Gulf region and the flow of oil were two of America's greatest concerns, and this was reflected in Reagan's National Security Decision Directive 114 (dated November 26, 1983). Yet, oil transportation from Iraq to the United States was threatened, as Syria had blocked off a pipeline carrying Iraqi oil through the country. Moreover, in the south of Iraq, Iran continued to upset the transportation of Iraqi oil from the Persian Gulf.

see "BOERING" Page 17

A big thank you

Dear Editor;

At this time we, Crystal, Wayne and Montanna Meredith would like to thank all that contributed funds, gifts, letters and their time in helping us out. From the two churches: Zion & Redeemer, and the great job the papers did that covered our story, to the businesses and individuals and their children in Didsbury and surrounding areas. It was all due to your sup-

port in one way or another which has gotten us through one of the many difficult times of our lives. We want you all to know that it was very much appreciated and heart felt. You know who you are as their are so many to mention individually. We thank you again very much and you'll all always be in our hearts and prayers as well.

Love,
the Meredith's

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Olds Neighborhood Place Society

Reader entitled to her opinion

Dear Editor;

Yes, in this land we have the right to our opinions.

However, I realize my opinion has no authority, even though I am entitled to express it. It is not my goal to convince others to agree with my opinion. It is my intent to warn of danger.

Of course my opinions affect my choices and my choices are

what matter and have influence. God has allowed us this freedom of choice and it is an individual's responsibility how it is used.

One thing God has said, as well as many others, is: "Thou shalt not commit adultery." Exodus 20:14 If we have a problem with that, we need to discuss it with Him.

Margie Wiens



Aspen Ridge Lodge - Didsbury

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- DP 27-04 1518-22 Avenue Deck Home Occupation-Massage Therapy with conditions R2
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Further information may be obtained at the Town Office, 2037 - 19 Ave. or by calling 335-3391. Persons wishing to appeal any of these decisions must do so in writing, with the appropriate fees, to the secretary, Development Appeal Board, prior to 4:30 p.m. on June 2, 2004 Robert Wigg - Development Officer.

NEWS

Community gives boy new bike, and lesson in life

by Tamara Collins

It wasn't long ago that a nine year old boy went outside to discover his bike was missing. Now, just over a month later with the help of some local people and businesses, Dryden Drescher is presented with a new bike.

On March 30, Drescher left his bike outside, against the front step, he returned later to find it gone. The Didsbury RCMP were contacted,

and two young offenders were caught trashing it.

"These were not the two who actually stole the bike," said Cst. Lee Hammond. "But they were caught destroying it, so they were held accountable."

Garry Goudette of Didsbury Liquor, and the Van Dyck family of

Home Hardware, both donated money for Drescher to get a new bike. Cst. Hammond donated a lock to ensure this bike would not also be taken.

"We also got \$80 out of the two young offenders, for the new bike," said Hammond.

On May 12, the new bike was

presented to Drescher in Home Hardware.

"This one is way better than my old bike," said Drescher with a big smile.

The two young offenders will be dealt with under the Youth Criminal Justice Act.

"It was great of these people to

help this boy get a new bike," said Hammond. "It goes to show they are very community oriented."

Drescher was very excited to get home and ride his new bike after so long.

"I forget my helmet," said Drescher. "So I have to wait till I get home to ride it."

Appeal

continued from front page

Harold Johnsrude, MVC Commissioner, spoke as the applicant at the original appeal hearing. He said MVC will review information about Berreth's leave of appeal that was provided to them May 13.

"We have to assess the whole thing," Johnsrude said May 17. "I was out of the office until this morning so I'm just learning of this now. I have no further comment until this matter is reviewed."

He said this does, however, bring additional costs to the county.

Berreth said he is using his own money, approximately \$5,000, to fight the decision of the MVC Appeal Board.

"I'm not doing this to hurt anybody, it is just unfair the way they (MVC county and appeal board) handled it," said Berreth. "(People ask) why am I doing this? I am protecting my livelihood, my property and my fundamental rights."

His first appeal against the new administration building's location was based on many concerns, such as, it could pose a threat to his water supply.

Berreth said he feels it is money well spent to protect the water on his property.

"What value do you put on water? If they (MVC) start fooling around out there, what is going to happen to me?"

Berreth said, in his opinion, the MVC appeal hearing was not conducted properly.

"That (appeal board) should not have been allowed to sit on this hearing."

They are appointed by MVC and this was a decision they were making for MVC.

An appeal board from another county, that doesn't have an opinion on this matter, should have been used," said Berreth.

Kathy Blain, secretary for Mountain View Taxpayers Association (MVTA), said they have nothing to do with this process taken on by Berreth.

"This is Mr. Berreth's appeal. Our mandate is to get information out to taxpayers and that is what we are doing, but we are 100 per cent behind him," she said adding, MVTA is not a special interest group.

"We have well over 200 paid memberships (to MVTA) from all over this county."

Syd Vollmin, executive director for MVTA, said "I'm real pleased with the determination shown by Mr. Berreth."



photo by Tamara Collins

Corrina Van Dyck, of Home Hardware, and Const. Hammond, present nine year old Dryden Drescher with a new bike after his was stolen in March.



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2004

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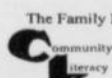
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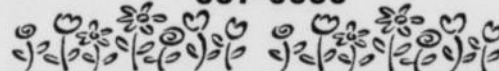
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Neighborhood

From only child to one of nine



Margaret Allison, and the brother she just discovered she had.

by Tamara Collins

Local women Margaret Allison recently received the shock of a life time. After 65 years believing she was an only child, Allison discovered she is the oldest of nine kids.

10 years ago Allison registered with an adoption agency looking to answer some questions about her biological family. All her life she knew she was adopted, she was just never aware she had siblings out there somewhere.

Allison's adopted parents both passed away many years ago, her dad 24 years, and her mom 29 years. When Allison's real mom became ill, she told her sons

that they had a sister that was given up at birth.

"Last week I found out I have four natural brothers, my biological parents ended up marrying and having them," said Allison. "Later my parents split up, and my dad had four more children, three girls and a boy."

Presently Allison has met with two of her natural brothers, and talked to 3 others.

"We became quite close very fast," said Allison. "My natural brothers are all in the Edmonton area, and the others are spread from B.C. to Nova Scotia."

According to Allison her family shares her sense of humor, and they have a lot of fun together.

"I am overwhelmed," said Allison. "It is still very hard to believe."

An ironic twist in this already spectacular story is

"I now have 17 nieces and nephews, and four great nieces and nephews, not bad for an only child."

-Margaret Allison

that Allison's oldest brother's wife's aunt and uncle are Allison's Godparents.

Both of Allison's biological parents have passed away.

"It would have been nice to meet them," said Allison. "But I had such great adoptive parents."

A family reunion this summer is in the planning, and Allison is anticipating much larger family functions.

"My husband is also very excited about this," said Allison. "I grew up being very close with my cousins, I never expected anything like this."

Allison grew up in Edmonton, and at some point her and her four natural

brothers were all very close in area.

"I now have 17 nieces and nephews, and four great nieces and nephews," said Allison. "Not bad for an only child."

The age range between the nine of them is 47 to 65.

"This has all been like a dream," said Allison. "They are all so nice and accepting of me. From now on we will all be a part of one another's lives."

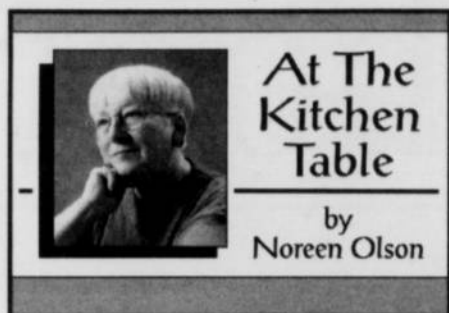
Allison admits to being nervous when meeting the first brother, but not anymore, she says he was so great he paved the way for the rest. They have seen each other twice now.

"The whole thing is so wonderful," said Allison. "It is like something you read about."

Isn't it though!

NEIGHBORHOOD

AROUND THE CIRCLE



At The Kitchen Table

by Noreen Olson

One of the bonuses of life in the country is our view of the night sky. City skies suffer from light pollution so that there is not enough contrast between light and dark and most of the stars fade into oblivion. Visitors are often spellbound by our night sky but I'm afraid that unless something unusual is happening we are inclined to take it for granted.

Something unusual has been happening with Venus. On May 5th it was closer to Earth and brighter than at any time in the twentieth century. On June 8th it will pass across the face of the sun and its orbit will take it away from us again, but meanwhile sometime after 11 PM Venus has been setting in our northwest and on the nights that it is not obscured by cloud it is a blaze of white light that even the most casual astronomer might notice.

On a recent cloudless, and less cold than usual night, Ralph came in from checking cows and called me to look out of our bedroom window. We could see Venus in the western sky and it was quite spectacular. We watched for some time and wondered at the conditions on this sister planet. Did Venus ever support life? Is there a possibility of life in any form now? "I guess I'll leave the window open," Ralph said, "just in case any Venusians want to make contact during the night."

"I don't think it's too likely that they will," I said, "If aliens were to land on earth I doubt that our yard would be their first choice for touchdown, but suppose they did. Suppose a space ship were to land right here under our window would you have the courage to speak to them?" "I don't know," he replied, "I guess if they were in my yard I would have to make some effort if only to let them know that we are not a threat. I would hope that there would be some way to communicate so that they didn't just wipe us out as a precaution."

"That's not what they do in stories," I assured him, "in fiction they are intelligent and peaceful and seeking only knowledge. Then we Earthlings misunderstand their intentions and cause all sorts of grief and sorrow. Of course that's when they land in the States. Maybe if they came to Canada where we are less warlike the encounter would be happier." "I doubt it," Ralph said sadly, "Canadians would be just as frightened and worried as Americans and nobody would know how to handle the situation." "Probably true," I admitted, "for instance, when they said 'take me to your leader', who would you take them to?"

We were both silent for some time. I finally spoke, "even if I acknowledged Paul Martin as my leader, which I don't, how would we get them to him? If we called Ottawa and said we had some space aliens that wanted to meet with the Cabinet no one would believe us. We would have to begin with someone local, whom we trusted, could contact quickly and had credibility with the media." There was another long silence.

"Charlie Van Arnem," Ralph suggested, he is our immediate leader, he's in the neighborhood and maybe he would have some idea of where to go next. "Maybe Bob Clark," I wondered. "People should believe him, he was the ethics commissioner." More silence.

"Suppose," I said, "that the alien visitors were not peaceful, but mean and warlike and they seized Charlie and Bob and threatened horrible things if we did not meet their demands. We are fond of both of them and Charlie's parents are among our oldest friends. Alice and Bud would never forgive us for getting Charlie vaporized by Venusians. What we need is a person whom the media would recognize, who has some knowledge of government agencies, looks harmless and non threatening and would not be a big loss if something unfortunate occurred."

I am going to look up Joe Clark's number and keep it handy just in case.

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by Noreen Olson

by Marge St. Clair

The bus trip to the Legislature was cancelled, so the next outing will be Wed. June 2 to Thoroughbred Racing in Calgary. The fare includes a racing program and supper. The Community Bus will leave the Didsbury Complex at 4:30 p.m. Phone Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449 for your reservations.

The 4th Annual Lions Club Soap Box Derby will be held on Sat. June 19th for girls and boys aged 8 yrs. to 14 yrs. The kits are available now for building the cart by phoning Ray Hannah at 335-0008 (This is not a mistake, this Ray lives in Town up in Westhill, I found out when I phoned Ray & Joan to make sure).

Rhonda Hamm at 335-8109 is organizing a Community Garden for people in condos or a duplex who have no garden space but would still like to have some garden fresh vegetables. Talk to Rhonda for all the details.

When you do get to plant your garden this spring, please try to grow an extra row of carrots, potatoes, beans etc. for the Food Bank which serves all towns and the districts in Mountain View County. The needs are always there.

Wed. May 19

The Farmers Market will start the new season tonight in the Curling Rink from 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. There will be a variety of tables which can be rented by phoning Laura at 335-4252.

Wed. May 19

Weather permitting, the Didsbury Gunners (men's slo pitch team) will have a home game at 7:15 p.m. at the south diamond, west of Ross Ford School. Come out and cheer them on against the Brew Jays from Olds.

Welcome to Didsbury to our newest member of the RCMP; Naomi Kuban. We hope you will like our community.

Starting May 18 and running on Tuesdays till June 22nd from 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at St. Cyprian's Anglican Church will be a program called "Focus on the Family" for parents of babies to 6 yrs. old. Child care is provided for the first hour of the sessions, and to follow is an hour of fun for all at one of many fun facilities in Didsbury. There is a small fee to cover books and materials and childcare. Rita Krebs at 335-4560 is the program facilitator and will gladly take your calls.

Wed. May 26

Something different to do on this day. The Didsbury Library and the Town of Didsbury have invited the Alberta Prairie C.O.W. (a Literacy Classroom on Wheels) for parents and their children (infant to 6 yrs.) to the Family Fun & Information Fair

from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Didsbury Train Station.

You will learn about activities and services for families in the community, participate in stories, games and activities specially designed for parents and young children.

Wed. May 26

The Farmers Market will be open from 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the Didsbury Curling Rink. Everyone welcome to visit.

Wed. May 26

The men's slo pitch team, the Didsbury Gunners will play at 7:15 p.m. (weather permitting of course) at the diamonds west of Ross Ford School on the road to the Golf Course. Come and show your support.

Fri. May 28

This will be the first information night at the Olds/Didsbury Airport regarding Flight Training focusing on

Introductory Flight Lessons, flight training, sightseeing trips and Groundschool. The session will start at 6:30 p.m. in the Terminal Building. More information by phoning Lawrence Eaton 335-3246 evenings please.

Sat. May 29

Theatre Didsbury will be on stage at the Elks Hall in the final local presentation of the hilarious comedy "Happy Birthday".

This is a Pub Night, doors open at 7:00 p.m., play is at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale at Mountain View Sports on a first come first served basis.

If you are interested in Floor Curling or Shuffleboard at the Lawn Bowling clubhouse please phone Frank Hawthorne at 335-3824 as soon as possible so play can get underway.

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Field hockey hot at DHS

Until this spring, the sport of **Field Hockey** was relatively unknown by students at Didsbury High. But now thanks to the leadership of their coach, Jenny Johnson, it is not uncommon to see students lugging about their sticks, along with their backpacks, as they make their way down the halls each day. "The girls on our team are awesome...so enthusiastic! It's really something how the sport has caught on here," says Johnson.

To say Johnson is no stranger to the sport of field hockey would be an understatement. She began playing at the age of seven,

quickly progressing through the ranks all the way to the National team.

Eventually, Johnson went on to compete in two Commonwealth Games and two Pan American Games.

"The reason field hockey is such a great sport is because it can be for anyone...whether you are short or tall. You don't need to have that same height advantage you do in some sports like basketball or volleyball." Johnson also advocates the value of the sport as a cardiovascular exercise. "It definitely helps keep you fit and active."

Johnson, originally from

Vancouver Island, B.C., attended the University of Alberta where she specialized in Physical Education and Education. "My husband (Jeff Johnson) is from Carstairs originally so we decided to find jobs close to there. He works at Westglen and I'm here at the High School. We really love it here."

The majority of the games being played by Johnson's grade 9 - 12 Field Hockey Team are mostly in Calgary. "It would really be nice to see the sport move into the rural areas a bit more."

That's why having a team out here in Didsbury is so important.

We are trying to advocate more girls to play on the team."

Currently, the field hockey team at DHS is looking for sponsors. "Anyone who would like to help us out and raise the profile of our team would be welcome,"

says Johnson. "We are always looking for sponsorship."

If you, or your business, is interested in sponsoring the field hockey team at the High School, please contact Jenny Johnson at the school at 335-3356.



DHS Girls field hockey team

C.O.W. program coming to train station



Arlene Wilde,
literacy coordinator

Parents in and around Didsbury are being encouraged to take their children to see a real **C.O.W.** at the Train Station this coming Wednesday, May 26th from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

No, it's not the bovine variety, rather a colorfully decorated bus offering a unique program brought to you by the Mountain View Community Literacy group called "**Classroom on Wheels**" (C.O.W.).

C.O.W. is just one of the organization's many programs dedicated to help raise the profile of family-based literacy in the community by offering a wide array of information, displays, games, activities, and stories.

Arlene Wilde is a literacy coordinator for the group and says some parents may not realize how vital a role literacy can play in the brain development of their child from birth to age two. "I cannot stress enough how important it is - particularly in the pre-school years - to introduce literacy into your day to day life," says Wilde. "A real bonus for us in having the bus is the fact that we were able to inherit hundreds of really fun and appropriate children's books that we can use afterwards as well as our legacy library."

Wilde says the use of techniques such as rhyming games, chants, songs, and (of course) books all helps augment the cru-

cial early development of your child's cognitive and language skills. "The power of music combined with language is very powerful," explains Wilde. "...You can remember almost anything when it's put to a song. Think about your favorite jingle you may have heard on the radio or T.V....chances are you remember a product better once it's name is put to music." Wilde says literacy is a lot like that. Even the alphabet song can empower very young children to master those initial steps of literacy that will eventually help them string letters together to make words and words together to make sentences later in their development.

C.O.W. is made possible through donations by FCSS committees in Olds, Sundre, Carstairs, Cremona and Mountain View County. "Parent-Child Mother Goose Rhymes that Bind", "Building Blocks", "Help your Child to Read and Write" and the ever-popular, "Books for Babies" are just a few other programs currently being provided across the county.

The programs are free and operate on grants and community donations. "We are always looking for sponsors for our programs," says Wilde. Anyone interested in learning more about the Mountain View Community Literacy group is encouraged to give them a call at 556-3045.

Westglen students take home "Blast" award

More good news out of Westglen School. Six of the school's students won out over hundreds of others across the province to take home the **2004 Barb Tarbox Youth Award**.

Dayle Kimmel, Dayne Hadway, Emma Reed, Kirsten Kurtz, Emma Harris and Carly Patten were selected by AADAC officials for their work in a stop-

smoking presentation they organized this past March. (Community residents many remember the event advertised, largely, for weeks in advance on the large, round bales at the intersection of highway 2A and secondary road 582.)

Jennifer Graff is the school coach for the unique AADAC

project and says she's proud of the accomplishment the students have attained. "The students were chosen for their leadership ability and how effectively the stop smoking message was presented in their project," she says. "I'm hoping the program made a big impact on the kids who attended their presentation. I think for sure

the kids involved in organizing the event were impacted very positively by the experience."

The award is being presented to the group in Edmonton over the next few weeks by the Chair of AADAC, Marlene Graham, and representatives from the Canadian Cancer Society.

The group was nominated by Nicola Hollamby, one of the teachers at the school.



Dayle Kimmel, Dayne Hadway, Emma Reed, Kirsten Kurtz, Emma Harris and Carly Patten



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NOTES FROM NIGERIA

Struck by a severe thunderstorm

Dear family and friends,

You haven't heard from us for awhile. Two weeks ago we had a severe thunderstorm. It started during hot lunch so we were out sitting under a tree enjoying a great meal. The storm came up quickly and within just a couple minutes it was pouring. It was a rapid moving storm and soon was right over us with lots of lightning and thunder. One of the lightning strikes hit close enough to the school that there were sparks flying and the power packs for two of the computers burned up. Unfortunately, those two computers are the servers for the whole system so we were without computers for several days while they fixed those. The lightning also burned out something in the satellite dish so it was several more days before we had our internet connection back. It is nice to be connected with the world again. After living here for years when we could not send letters quickly, we have gotten spoiled having the internet. It was amazing how frustrating it was to have it down. And yet we used to think nothing of waiting four or more weeks to get answers to letters we sent. It is AP exam time. Stu-

dents take Advanced Placement courses which are like honors courses. Then in May we give exams. They are external exams. We order them from the testing center in the States, give them, and then send them back to the States for marking. There is a standard protocol for giving them that has to be followed very carefully. The students can receive college credit for their exam scores if they are high enough. A student that graduated last year received about three semesters of college credit for her scores. Most of the exams are three to four hours long and are very difficult. With the preliminary forms they have to fill out and other things it usually takes over four hours. By the time we are done I will have given nine exams (Dan gave one because it was at the same time as another I was giving). I have spent a lot of time watching students work hard. On two days there was an exam in the morning and one in the afternoon, so I started at 8:00 am and finished after 4:00. One of the exams was a music exam and each student taking it had to do an individual sight singing section so we didn't finish with that one until after 5:30. It will be interesting to see

how well the students do. I should get a list of their scores sometime in late July or early August.

Dan has been covering my study hall while I have been giving the exams. He is stricter with the kids than I am and that has been good for them. Some of them may have actually studied rather than play games or visit with friends. Some of the students are very good about using their time wisely but others are not going to do now what they can put off until later. Generally they are all good, decent kids but they are teenagers and are often testing the boundaries.

This is the time of year when everything gets very busy. There are concerts, awards assemblies and other special activities so that the evenings can also become busy. This past Sunday was the honors recital. I always enjoy this because the students are very good and the music is great.

We had classical music as well as jazz. There were piano pieces, flute pieces as well as violin and cello pieces. One of the grade twelve girls sang a Latin piece with one of the third grader girls. It was beautiful.

About three weeks ago I did something that turned

out to be foolish. A small group of us had gone out to visit the students at the EMS hostel. These are the children of Nigerian missionaries who live at the hostel so they can go to school. Several of the students were not able to go home over their five-week break because their parents did not have the money to pay for transportation.

We went out to just spend some time with them. The girls' hostel is about a block away if you go in the back gate, but about a half mile if you have to go around to the front gate. While we were there, the guard locked the back gate and left, even though he was not supposed to. We decided we would see if it was possible to get over the fence and save ourselves the long walk. I slipped while getting up on the fence and came down on my rib cage. We decided, after that, that the walk was not all that long. My side hurt but not all that bad, but over the next few days it just got worse. The end result is that I either cracked a rib or separated the cartilage on my rib cage.

Now three weeks later I can finally take a deep breath without pain and sleep fairly comfortably.

It isn't completely back

to normal but a lot better. I have to remember that I am no longer twenty years old but more than twice that. I can no longer do all the things I did at twenty.

Dan went to Abuja yesterday to check up on our quota document. All went well and that we were

granted a renewal of the quota document, but for one year instead of the normal two. Next year we will have to apply for a brand new quota.

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BANCROFT W.I.

Midway Park vandalised

by Eva Page

On May 10th, six members met at the home of June Lore. The song chosen by our hostess June was "I Want a Girl" followed by the creed & flag salute.

Roll call was "Our Favorite Summer Dish" - these were apple pie, Grandmas salad & potato salad.

We received 65 volunteer hours for W.I. Our Quilt Blocks are almost completed. Our names need to be added & we will make one block with an A.W.I. crest on it.

We were very disappointed that there has been vandalism at Midway Park. 2 picnic tables were burnt when there was plenty of firewood available on site. Also beer bottles were broken causing a hazard for others using the park. "Surely your parents taught you better!!"

2 resolutions were read & voted on - one on Elder Abuse & the other on Moving Nursing Policy.

We planned a June meeting as well as the serving of a birthday Tea at the Nursing Home in Didsbury on July 22 & were reminded of Midway Schools 50th Anniversary July 24th.

Eva Page had a paper on International Affairs the topic was "Russia Buys Hanna - Built Equipment."

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Spring has finally arrived and your vehicle has survived another grueling winter-albeit barely. In fact, it's starting to look a little worse for wear. The truth is, you could really use a new vehicle but you just don't have the money. Fortunately, there is a solution to your dilemma: it's time to go shopping for a used vehicle.

But where do you start? Chances are you've already heard lots of horror stories about those who bought a used car and lived to regret it. But not all used vehicle purchases lead to misery. Dealing with a reputable used car dealer will ensure you find a vehicle that is virtually impeccable and, more importantly, guaranteed. However, there is a price to pay for this peace of mind. While it's not nearly as expensive as buying a brand-new vehicle, it will still cost

you. Alternatively, you can turn to those businesses that specialize in the sales of used cars and trucks that are a bit older but still in good working condition. Their prices tend to be more affordable, but they can still be out of reach for some people. In this case, look at what the smaller dealers in your area have to offer. Their vehicles tend to be more affordable, but they'll probably be older, too. Finally, there are always private sales, which tend to be the most affordable option. If you choose this route, be sure to have the vehicle inspected by a friend who's either a mechanic or who knows a lot about vehicles before you buy. As you can see, buying a used car or truck isn't easy, but that's the price you have to pay when you don't have the money for a new vehicle.

Treat your vehicle to a new paint job

Spring is finally here and you've taken the time to clean up the house and yard a bit. You also treated your vehicle to some spring-cleaning. But all that washing and waxing didn't make much of a difference. The paint job is scratched here and there, and all those "shopping mall" dings are really starting to show.

Unfortunately, you just don't have the money to buy a new vehicle. Besides, you're still happy with the one you've got and it doesn't even have

that much mileage on it anyway. The good news is there's an affordable solution that will restore its original beauty: a bit of body work followed by a new paint job.

The first thing you need to do is shop around a little bit. That means researching your local auto body shops. Don't let price be the only deciding factor. Of course, you don't want to empty out your bank account just to improve the appearance of your vehicle, but keep in mind that it's worth paying



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Glance through your local newspapers and talk to those who have already used the services of the body shops you are considering. Keep in

mind that you have every right to negotiate a price, but going too low will only result in a quick job with mediocre results. You're making an investment in your vehicle, so don't skimp.

Is it too early or too late for rustproofing?

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Some people think that spring is not really a good time for rustproofing a vehicle. Unfortunately, they are sorely mistaken. This is one of the best times of year because specialized auto workshops aren't as busy as they are in the fall.

Before you run out and rustproof your vehicle, however, keep in mind that some car manufacturers advise against this type of treatment if the vehicle is less than three years old. But in some parts of the country, winter is so severe that not rustproofing before this timeframe can leave your vehicle vulnerable to rust and corrosion.

Most people tend to get

their rustproofing done during the fall. If you don't mind the long waiting lines, there's nothing wrong with getting this treatment done at this time of year. On the other hand, if you do it in the spring or early summer, the warmer temperatures will help the product seep into all those tiny nooks and crannies, resulting in much better protection.

And if you've been putting off rustproofing your car or truck, keep in mind that it is a fairly affordable treatment that will go a long way in protecting your vehicle. What's more, if you get it done during the "off-season," chances are the technician will have more time to ensure a thorough job.

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Regardless of where you live in Canada, you have to put up with winter. And so does your vehicle. That's why it's good idea to have your car or truck thoroughly inspected each spring.

After all that snow, ice and salt, you'll want to give your vehicle a good cleaning both on the inside and out. When it comes to cleaning the body, a specialized shop can ensure a top-notch job.

They know how to clean all the trims and crevices where dirt and salt love to infiltrate. A good cleaning followed by a wax job will leave your vehicle looking as good as new. Now that the weather is more enjoyable, this type of job can be the perfect way to spend a Saturday afternoon—just be sure to use the right prod-

ucts and tools.

Come springtime, the interior of your vehicle could also use some cleaning. The carpets are caked with dirt and salt. And the smell! If you have the time and energy, you can tackle this job yourself. On the other hand, a specialized workshop will know how to leave your vehicle's interior looking and smelling incredibly fresh and clean.

Finally, don't forget to rid your trunk and glove compartment of all the useless items and garbage that have been collecting over the winter.

You should also check the pressure of your tires—including that of your emergency tire. You never know when you may need to use it!

Do you really need a truck?

Trucks of all shapes and sizes are in high demand these days. Whether it is for city or country driving, today's models are attracting an increasing number of buyers.

In fact, statistics indicate that more than half of all vehicles sold in North America are trucks or pickups of all sizes.

But do you really need a truck? Answering this question is more difficult than it would have been 20 or even 10 years ago. That's because many of today's trucks can also fulfill the role of car-and more. The truck market has become so segmented that it's easy to find the right truck for just about anyone.

Those with small families tend to consider smaller SUVs that are easy to park and won't cost a fortune in gas,

while still being large enough to accommodate several passengers with luggage.

On the other hand, the more "athletic" types who need to haul around lots of sports equipment and accessories will probably need a larger, more practical truck.

There are even trucks on the market today that can be used as both a commercial and family vehicle, such as the most recent pickups and vans. Given the amount of choices that are now available, you'll have no problem finding the right truck—provided that you actually need one.

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Didsbury Ag Society Notes

by Marge St. Clair

1. The office is officially moved to Main Street, former Country Audio location. Should be more accessible to the public, sponsors and raffle ticket buyers, phone No. 335-4494 Mondays.

2. Bench Fair books are almost ready for printing and will be available at the office.

3. Raffle tickets are on sale now only \$20.00 each this year and many more prizes. Early bird draw June 19th at the Bull Riding Classic and the main draws are Aug. 22 (Fair & Rodeo Weekend).

4. A dance floor will be built at the Exhibition Grounds.

5. Everything for the Bull Riding Classic on June 19th is under control. There will be a cabaret to follow. Signage and newspaper and radio ads to start soon.

6. The website is up and running. Visit didsburyagsociety.com for information on all events.

7. The Light Horse Show

will run on July 10 & 11.

8. The foundations for the new buildings (Arena & stabling) are currently underway at the grounds.

9. There will be entertainment on both Fri. & Sat. night of the Rodeo.



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Cremona Lion May Update

by Charlie Bird
and Ken Naidoo**April 26, 2004:
Regular Meeting:**

Little Annika Hangs in there: Parents Colleen and Eric expressed their heartfelt thanks to the Cremona Lions for their assistance. We will receive updates on Annika's progress in future weeks.

Cremona and District Community Chest:

We were informed that a donation of \$750 was made to fire victim Tina.

Cremona Lions also make a donation: The Cremona Lions made a donation of \$500 to the same victim.

Cremona Lions Ladies' Night: Lion Doug Sherriffs reported that there was a good turn out for this event, some 144 people turning up; the best in years. The stage action had a slow start, but improved progressively. Lions Charlie Bird, Jim McArthur and Stan Pearson were honoured at the event. Congratulations Lion Doug (and your team) for a job well done.

Aspen Lodge: Lion Vair Reid reported that he had attended 'Appreciation Night' at the Lodge. Our Lions' contribution to the Lodge (large-screen TV, DVD, etc.), was well received.

**May 10, 2004:
Regular Meeting:**

Deputy District Governor as guest: DDG Lion Brian Grier from Strathmore attended our meeting, giving details of membership changes in our Zone. The good news was that there were three new clubs, all in Calgary, with a total membership of over 100. As always, Cremona appears to be doing well in regard to membership, etc. We appreciated Lion Brian's comments.

Water Valley Rodeo: It is sometimes difficult to understand the amount of teamwork that goes into organizing the part that our Lions play at this event. We have an excellent 'symbiotic' relationship with the WV rodeo people, and have done so for many years.

Fund-raising Chairmen Bruce Roy gave a very detailed run down as to what had been done to date in regard to organization. The games section has been the 'baby' of the Lions Ralph McKinnon and

Jack Hickey. And a very fine job they have done over these many years. The chuckwagon is being thoroughly overhauled so that hamburgers and the like will continue to be of the same high standard.

Unfortunately, Lion Bruce is 'escaping' to BC on the pretext of being a 'banned' chaperone. How he is able to get such good jobs is beyond the ken of many of us (just kidding, Lion Bruce). However Lion Bruce has seen to it that all

necessary organization is complete; so things should go well while he is away.

Please remember the dates of the Rodeo: Saturday June 6 and Sunday June 7.

Camp 'Health, Hope and Happiness': We donated \$500 to this organization.

Multiple Sclerosis Walkathon: We are sponsoring Lion Larry Steeves to the tune of \$100 in this regard. Lion Larry informed us that he is very much involved in this event.

Cremona and District Community Chest:

Many of our Lions are collectors for this worthy organization. Lion Lionel reported that a figure in excess of \$25,000 had been collected to date: at least a 5% increase over last year. This amount is all the more remarkable in light of the fact that our farming community (who are major donors) have had innumerable problems in the past year. Congratulations to all who assisted.

Olds Legion #105

May Notes

by Marge St. Clair

Entertainment
May 28 & 29 - Moonshine Ridge 8:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m.
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Jam Session every Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Special Events
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Every Wednesday - Darts - 7:00 p.m.; Bingo - 7:15 p.m.
Every Thursday - Bridge - 7:30 p.m.
Every Friday - Buffet 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.;
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Murray Snyder's Bicycle Tour

Howdy y'all

Ah'm deep in the heart of Texas, moving slowly, but not very surely toward a very distant goal. I'll be writing this missive in stages. I'm starting while in Valley Mills, a small town 40 km west of Waco. I managed to meet my target of 500 km in the first week, but I'm already a day and a half behind in the second week. The rear wheel rim has cracked and I had to get a new one sent out from Waco. No sooner got that fixed and noticed a bolt that holds my rear rack had broken - so I had to find a machinist to drill that out and rethread it.

What interesting country so far! Corpus Christi has palm trees and sand dunes. I talked to a guy (Reuben) who was fishing for "reds" - but he hadn't caught any yet - guess fishing requires patience wherever you live.

Cycled through "Goliad" which was a church mission in the early 1800's just like the Alamo. Actually the fuss with the "Texians" and the Mexicans started at Goliad and there was a massacre there too. The reason the Alamo is famous is because of who was killed there (David Crockett and Jim Bowie) and because its defeat lead directly to the defeat of the Mexicans by an army raised and lead by Sam Houston. Texas was an independent country for 10 years before it joined the U.S.

Central Texas is very green and has some flat land and some rolling hills (to me there's no such thing as a "nice" hill). I've biked thru a whole series of small towns (Refugio, Gonzales, Granger, Bartlett, etc) and they all have seen better days; lots of closed buildings on the Main Streets. Even Crawford (George Bush's home town) looks dilapidated. It's just too easy to travel to a nearby city to shop and do business.

The people are great: saw a couple picking berries one evening near where I was camped, so I went over and chatted, and they introduced me to "dewberries" - they



Murray Snyder is a native Didsburian who is currently criss-crossing North America on a bicycle. He crossed Canada in the summers of 2002 and 03 and is now pedalling from the Gulf of Mexico to the Arctic Ocean - to be completed in 2005. The following is the latest instalment of an e-mail letter sent every week or two to an extensive list of family and friends.

look and taste like blackberries. I had a great dessert that night. Met "Dusty" who phoned up the local newspaper editor so he could write an article on my trip; met "Charles" (who reminded me of my Uncle Harold), a machinist who could make or fix anything, with his huge 100 year old shop filled with archaic and wonderful machines.

Well, I got the rear wheel fixed, had lunch with my sister and mom who were traveling thru on their way back to Didsbury, and finally hit the road again.

Got 6 kms - half the spokes had loosened in my new rear wheel and it was all bent out of shape - I was NOT a happy man! I was able to tighten them and straighten the wheel enough to limp into the next town ("Clifton" - where I'm sending this from). Took a motel room to work on it some more (by 8 pm it's dark here) AND to watch the Flames beat the Sharks 4-1.....GO FLAMES!!

I couldn't fix the wheel enough to use and decided to hitch-

hike to Waco and get it fixed (60 kms). The manager of the motel volunteered to drive me there and back. I repeat: *People here are great!*

The bike shop guys took one look and said the wheel was defective and exchanged it for a new one. So I've lost another day - tomorrow (Thurs.) I'll get rubber on the road....

Now for the first edition of the Great American Ditch Detritus Derby...my quest to understand North Americans by what they lose or discard or run over along their highways:

- obviously Texans like their beer - there are more beer cans/bottles than all other cans/bottles combined;
- road-kill is a bit different here: 'coons, armadillos and skunks;
- 2 air conditioning covers;
- and the award winner for the week: a moto-cross coat (with padding and armour) and gauntlet gloves - all shredded - must have been some fall!

Thanks for all your encouraging notes and prayers.

Love.....Murray

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As oil and gas activity continues to grow along with rural communities, more lives are being touched by the upstream petroleum industry. Rural stakeholders are moving beyond wanting to be informed about industry activity to wanting to participate in the decisions that affect them.

Effective public involvement is one way to start. Through public involvement, industry promotes dialogue with communities to better understand their concerns, their past experiences and their knowledge of industry. Public involvement establishes or improves relations with stakeholders and builds a positive foundation for solving problems, reaching a common goal and making informed decisions.

The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers' (CAPP) Guide for Effective Public Involvement is one important resource that teaches industry representatives about the fundamentals of effective public involvement. Recently updated, the Guide demonstrates a commitment to the development of best practices in public involvement.

The Guide is a core document of CAPP's Stewardship initiative which promotes responsible development, systematic management and helps CAPP member companies make continuous improvement in environment, health, safety and socio-economic performance.

"It's all about the relationship, not about the issues. With a relationship based on trust, honesty and respect, issues will be resolved successfully," says Bernie Schell, a community member in Drayton Valley. "The guide is a great tool for educating the upstream petroleum industry on what communities need from them. The information is there and when used by industry, it can add to a mutually beneficial relationship."

The Guide for Effective Public Involvement teaches industry representatives about the fundamentals of public involvement.



Caring for the caribou

Due to the threat of predators and disturbed habitat, the population of the woodland caribou of the Alberta Boreal Forest, has decreased in the past decade to the point where they are considered a threatened species. Increased industrial activity in the Boreal Forest has also impacted the caribou.

In 2001, several oil and gas companies and the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, joined forces with the forest industry, Environment Canada, Alberta Sustainable Resource Development and the Alberta Conservation Association to sponsor the Caribou Range Restoration Project (CRRP). Past research on caribou behaviour in different areas of Alberta, showed that linear disturbances such as roads and seismic lines and their associated impacts may have affected the caribou.

The CRRP is an ongoing project that aims to develop new techniques or best practices that will decrease the historical linear footprint and their associated impacts. For example, work is being done on re-establishing shrub/tree vegetation on old cutlines. Through these initiatives and continued research, the CRRP will continue to work at restoring a more natural habitat for the woodland caribou.

"Our goal is to manage our activities to minimize impacts on the caribou. Through the CRRP, government agencies and oil and gas companies have come together with increased awareness of caribou habitat management and research," says Carol Engstrom, Environmental Biologist with Husky.

Ron Bennett, from the habitat section of the Canadian Wildlife Service division of Environment Canada says, "The Government of Canada Habitat Stewardship Program for Species at Risk (HSP) supports this project because it addresses issues facing woodland caribou in Alberta. The combination of industry and conservation groups working together to restore caribou habitat is a key feature of this project."

The CRRP develops new techniques or best practices to help restore a more natural habitat for caribou.



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Focus on the Family



QUESTION: Does the middle child really have greater adaptive problems than her siblings?

DR. DOBSON: The middle child does sometimes find it more difficult to establish her identity within the family. She enjoys neither the status of the eldest nor the attention given to the baby.

Furthermore, she is likely to be born at a busy period in the life of her parents, and especially her mother. Then during her preschool years, her precious territory is invaded by a cute little newborn who steals Mama from her. Is it any wonder that she often asks, "Who am I and where is my place in life?"

QUESTION: What can I do to help my middle child figure out who she is?

DR. DOBSON: Parents should take steps to ensure the identity of all their children, not just as members of the family, but as unique individuals. This is especially needed on behalf of middle children. Let me offer a couple of suggestions that will illustrate what I mean.

1. It is meaningful for Dad or Mom to "date" each child, one at a time, periodically. The other kids should not be told where they are going until it is revealed afterward by the chosen child. They can play miniature golf, go bowling, play basketball, eat tacos or pizza, or visit a skating rink. The choice of activities should be made by the child whose turn has arrived.

2. Ask each offspring to design his or her own flag, which can be sewn in canvas or cloth. That flag can then flown in the front yard on the child's "special" days, celebrating birthdays, good grades, athletic achievements and so forth.

There are other ways to accomplish the same purpose. The target, again, is to plan activities that emphasize one child's individuality apart from his identity within the group.

QUESTION: My marriage has been a very unsatisfying thing for me. I would divorce my husband if it were not for my concern for our three children. What does the research say about the impact of divorce on kids?

DR. DOBSON: It's now known that emotional development in children is directly related to the presence of warm, nurturing, sustained and continuous interaction with both parents. Anything that interferes with the vital relationship with either mother or father can have lasting consequences for the child.

One landmark study revealed that 90 percent of children from divorced homes suffered from an acute sense of shock when the separation occurred, including profound grieving and irrational fears. Fifty percent reported feeling rejected and abandoned, and indeed half of the fathers never came to see their children three years after the divorce.

One-third of the boys and girls feared abandonment by the remaining parent, and 66 percent experienced yearning for the absent parent with an intensity that researchers described as overwhelming. Most significant, 37 percent of the children were even more unhappy and dissatisfied five years after the divorce than they had been at 18 months. In other words, time did not heal their wounds.

That's the real meaning of divorce. It is certainly what I think about, with righteous indignation, when I see infidelity and marital deceit portrayed on television as some kind of exciting game for two.

The bottom line is that you are right to consider the welfare of your children in deciding whether or not to seek a divorce. As empty as the marital relationship continues to be for you, it is likely, from what I know of your circumstances, that your kids will fare better if you choose to stick it out.

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Despite officially condemning Iraq's use of chemical weapons against Iran in March 1984, America continued to allow the exportation of helicopters, heavy trucks and other shipments of machinery meant primarily for military applications to Iraq. Other countries - including Britain, Israel, Brazil and South Africa - began to import weapons to both Iran and Iraq - turning the war into a cash cow for weapons manufacturers.

Presently, there is still a lot of bucks to be made in Iraq for the enterprising mercenary. It is estimated that 25 percent of \$18.6 billion dollar fund set aside for private security companies will go to those guarding pipelines, and interrogating prisoners in such institutions as infamous Abu Gharib facility. Control Risks Group pays its employees (largely ex service-men from the British SAS) nearly \$1000 a day to serve in Iraq. Thirty five such companies representing

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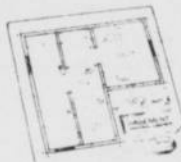
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LENNOX - Alma Soren Lennox, cherished and beloved mother of Bill (Polly) Lennox, Kathleen (Ken) Morris, Mickey (Millie) Lennox, Christine (Keith) Campbell, and Linda Morton peacefully passed away at the Aspen Ridge Lodge, May 7, 2004. Alma is also survived by her sister Mary Johnson, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Alma was born in Vejle, Denmark October 12, 1911. She emigrated with her family to Canada as a young child. Education was a priority for Alma's mother & father - all of the children became teachers. In 1938 Alma, while teaching in Bindloss, Alberta met and married her husband Robert Lennox. They lived in Carseland, where Alma learned how to light oil lamps, haul buckets of coal, and cook on a coal and wood stove. In 1958 Alma returned to teaching in Carseland and later in Calgary. Alma earned her Bachelor & Diploma of Education degrees from the University of Calgary. She was an influential mentor to her students and grandchildren always stressing the importance of education.

Music was an important part of Alma's life - playing the piano for community dances, weddings and family sing songs. She retired from teaching in 1977. She became a Charter Member of the Greater Forest Lawn Seniors Centre and became Choir Director and Pianist. Alma moved to Didsbury in 1995 to live with Mickey and Millie and later moved to the Mountain View Lodge in Olds. The family wishes to thank the Drs. and Nurses in Olds and Didsbury and the caring staff at the Mountain View and Aspen Ridge Lodges. A Funeral Service was held on Wednesday, May 12, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at the Knox United Church, Didsbury with Reverend Nancy Nourse officiating. Interment followed at the Hillside Cemetery, Medicine Hat. Friends wishing to remember Alma may make a donation to the Mountain View Seniors Lodge Olds (5238-50 Street, Olds, AB, T4H 1N7) or Aspen Ridge Lodge Didsbury (Box 2290 Didsbury, AB, T0M 0W0). Arrangements entrusted to MOUNTAIN VIEW FUNERAL CHAPEL, Didsbury.

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Please call 335-8076 and tell my owners if you know the whereabouts of my missing brother. A reward will be offered for his safe return. Please help me.



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Teachers' salaries certainly look more appealing today than they did in 1953. Interesting to that other variables besides qualifications and years of experience were considered in determining that salary. Going back a few years teachers were not seldom married women and single female teachers were certainly NOT allowed to date during the school year!

Teachers' Salaries Compared With Other Alberta Points

The Olds Local of the Alberta Teachers' Association presents the following figures for public information. The figures in the column for the Olds School Division are computed from the schedule offered by the Olds Division School Board for salaries beginning next September. The figures in the other columns are computed from recently published salary schedules supplied by the Alberta Teachers' Association, and they will be in effect next September.

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Class of Teacher					
Single, 1 year training, no experience	1900	2000	2200	1860	2000
Teacher with dependents, maximum experience 1 yr. training	2800	3100	3500	2880	3000
Teacher with dependents, maximum experience 2 yrs training	3100	3500	3800	3330	3412
Single teacher, University degree, no experience	2800	2900	3100	2765	2825
Teacher with dependents, University degree, maximum experience	3950	4430	4400	4230	4237
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Arbor Day

2nd Annual Didsbury Arbor Fest on Sat. May 29, 2004. Looking for volunteers and vendors. Please call Stephanie at 335-9491.

Cash Casino

Were going to cash casino, Calgary on Friday, June 18, cost \$10. Bus leaves from the complex @ 10:00. Please call Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449. Note new plu point.

DIDSBURY

Lawn Bowling

If you are interested in Floor Curling or Shuffleboard at the Lawn Bowling Clubhouse please phone Frank Hawthorne at 335-3824 as soon as possible so play can get underway.

Community Shower

For Karen Roberts Bride elect of Anders Rickard on May 28th, 7:30 pm, Rugby Hall, Pot luck lunch.

Light Horse Show

Equine & Acreage Essential's 1st Annual Jeopardy Challenge Trail Course. July 10 & 11 at the New Didsbury Exhibition Grounds. \$500 prize money. For info call Mandy 556-6098.

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Bridal Shower

Bridal Shower in honour of Meggin Roy fiancee of Sean Phillips, May 31, 2004 at 7 pm, Dogpound Bluebird Centre, phone 337-2333/637-2165

Stampede Park

Join us on Wed. Jun. 2 at Stampede Park, Calgary for Thoroughbred Racing. Cost \$30 Includes racing program and supper. Bus Leaves @ 4:30 from the complex. Call Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449

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CARSTAIRS TOPS

Take off Pounds Sensibly at the Church of God on Monday nights 7 - 8 p.m. For further information call Jean 637-3753, Shelly 337-3082 or Kim 946-4997.

DIDSBURY

COMMUNITY CRISIS SOCIETY

Are you experiencing family violence? Please call the Crisis Shelter at 1-877-934-6634.

CHAMPS

"NEW" Canadian Weight Awareness - CHAMPS Clubs Inc. is a Non-Profit Weight Loss Support Organization which meets weekly. We are open to Men and Ladies whom share a common concern of managing their weight. For more info about CHAMPS CLUB INC. call today. 1-866-444-7682.

DIDSBURY MUSEUM

New Fall hours: Tues, Wed., Thurs, 12:30 - 4:30. Saturday: 1 - 5 p.m., special occasions & anytime by appointment. Please call Dale Weiss at 335-4723 or Willard Stauffer at 335-3715.

SPECIAL FAMILIES

RESOURCE ASSOCIATION Support for families/caregivers of special needs children. Meetings held 1st and 3rd Thurs. of every month in the Didsbury Hospital in the Educational Conference Room at 7 p.m. For more information contact Cindy at 335-4123.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Didsbury Chamber of Commerce meets every 2nd Thursday. Once a month.. For more info please call 335-3265.

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Rosemary 335-2835.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every month at the Town Office. For info call the Town Office 335-3391

HALL WALKING

Adult hall walking at Westglen from 6:45 a.m. Monday to Thursday. Keep fit this winter.

DIDSBURY

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

TOY LIBRARY

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury Toy Library: (Closed for the Summer) the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Kerri at 335-9928.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Wendy at 335-3877 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury's Mom's Time Out and Dads Too program. At Anglican Church Hall, Mondays 10:11-30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-8183 or 335-9903 for more information.

KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For more information please call 335-8208.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

is now accepting registrations for 2003-2004 school year. This non-profit organization offers educational and social programming for children 3 to 5 years old. For information or to register your child, please call: Cherrie 335-8818 or 335-8039

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INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month 10 a.m. Olds Scout Hall. Phone 337-3617 or 556-3807 for information.

BRIDGE CLUB

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-4796.

HOME HELP ASSOCIATION

The Didsbury & District Senior Support Services co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 335-4391.

LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

DIDSBURY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC

Provides free accessible mental health services. Which inc. assessments, individual family & group counselling & crisis intervention. Mon. to Fri. 8:30-4:00.

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Wild Horses of Alberta Society. Help preserve these magnificent animals in their natural environment. Meetings are the first Tues. of every month at Olds Cow Palace, 8 p.m. Call Doreen at 556-6167 for more information.

MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

SUNDRE

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Wednesdays, 8 - 9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

ALA TEEN

Ala Teen, Sundre United Church Basement, Wednesday 7:00 p.m. More info 638-3277.

AL-ANON

Al-Anon, Wednesdays. For more information call 638-3277 or 335-9787.

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